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RELSO KING, Secretary.

Sydney, August 1, 1885.

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TENDERS are invited up to 4 o'clock p.m. on THURSDAY, 10th August next, for Forming 1000 cubic yds. of earth, to be dug and carted up to the level of the street, and to be used during office hours, at the rate of 10s per cubic yard.
The Council is not obliged to accept the lowest or any tender.
H. B. MACINTOSH,
Town Hall, 26th July, 1885. Council Clerk.

BOROUGH OF MARRICKVILLE
TENDERS are invited until 4 p.m. on MONDAY, 17th August 1885, for forming 1000 cubic yds. of earth, to be dug and carted up to the level of the street, and to be used during office hours, at the rate of 10s per cubic yard.
The Council is not obliged to accept the lowest or any tender.
GEORGE F. GILL,
Council Clerk.

Marrickville, 8th August, 1885.

COUNCIL CLERK'S RESIDENCE, Alexandria
The Specifications of the above having been amended, TENDERS are invited for the erection of same. Tenders will be received in the following way:
1. Plans and specifications.
2. Carpenter, joiner, and finishing trades.
3. To be made in one sum.
Plans, specifications, &c., to be obtained at our office, where tenders are to be delivered on August 10th, 1885, and NOTT,
12, Pitt-street.

THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF FREDERICK W. BARNARD, late of Adelaide, Merchant.
Separate or collective TENDERS are invited and will be received by the undersigned at his office, 10, Victoria-buildings, Grenfell-street, Adelaide, for the whole of the undermentioned Assets at Adelaide and Marborough:—
Lot 1.—Lease of Premises in King William-street, expiring on the 1st January, 1900.
Lot 2.—Stock and Book binding amounting to £5000 10s 7d.
Lot 3.—Freshhold Premises in Victoria Road to Colossal Milk Assurance Society.
Lot 4.—Stock and Book binding amounting to £875 8s 6d.
The whole of the above works in Adelaide, also:
Messrs. F. Falk and Co., Adelaide, and
Messrs. T. W. and Co., Adelaide, and
L. Saunders and Co., Adelaide,
both at Sydney and Melbourne.
No responsibility will be undertaken by the trustees as regards prices, but allowances will be made for "shorts and overs" on the above works. Tenders to be made in one sum, and to be made on or before THURSDAY, 14th August, 1885, at 4 o'clock, at the office of the undersigned, 10, Victoria-buildings, Grenfell-street, Adelaide.
FRANCIS H. SNOW,
Official Assignee.

THE INSOLVENT ESTATE OF THOMAS DOWNIE, late of 36th, Pitt-street, Bookbinder.
TENDERS are invited for the Purchase of the Stock of Books &c., in this estate.
The works to be purchased by the above named Tenders may be obtained from any office, 37, Castlereagh-street.
Tenders will be received by me at my office, Castlereagh-street up to 4 o'clock, on THURSDAY, 14th August, 1885.
EDWARD M. STEPHEN,
Official Assignee.

MUNICIPALITY OF MANLY
TENDERS are invited for the following works, viz.:—
1. Erection of Dressing-rooms, "baths" Baths, Manly.
2. Erection of Court and Waiting Rooms.
3. The above works to be made.
Plans and specifications may be seen on application to Mr. J. J. JONES, Council Chambers, Manly.
JAS. JONES,
Council Clerk.

STOCK-IN-TRADE OF A DRAPER
TENDERS will be received up to WEDNESDAY, 12th August, for the Purchase of Stock-in-Trade, Groceries, and Fittings in the Estate of the late Mr. DELANEY, Church-street.
Stocks may be seen, and all information obtained from FERRIS and BURN, Auctioneers, Parramatta.

TO BUILDERS
TENDERS are invited for the erection and completion of Business Premises in George-street.
The works to be erected are as follows:—
1. Excavation, drainage, masonry, and brickwork.
2. Carpenters' and joiner's work and finishing trades.
3. To be made in one sum.
Plans and specifications may be had upon application at the office of the undersigned, 121, Pitt-street, Sydney, on or before MONDAY, 17th August.
MANSELL BROTHERS, Architects.

TO BUILDERS
TENDERS are invited for the Erection and Completion of NEW BANKING PREMISES at GLEN INNES, for THE COMMERCIAL BANK, at GLEN INNES, on or before MONDAY, 17th August.
Plans and specifications may be seen upon application at the office of the Architects, to whom tenders are to be delivered, or before MONDAY, 17th August, at 121, Pitt-street, Sydney.
MANSELL BROTHERS, Architects.

TO CONTRACTORS
TENDERS will be received until noon, on MONDAY, 10th August, for Sewage Alterations and Additions to Urinals, according to the President Hall, Castlereagh-street.
Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the undersigned, on or before the above date to the undersigned from whom all particulars may be obtained.
ROWE and GREEN, Architects.

TO SHIPBUILDERS, ENGINEERS, &c.
TENDERS are invited for Building and Delivering of 26-ton, 4-ton, and light-draught Patent TUGBOATS, with or without engines.
Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of ROBERTS, Castlereagh-street, Sydney, on or before MONDAY, 10th August, at 12 o'clock.
TENDERS invited up to WEDNESDAY, 12th instant, for the Erection of a new building, 100 ft. by 40 ft., to be used as a clean sand, to be delivered at Ryde. Tenders to state price per yard, and earliest date for commencement delivery.
Particulars to be obtained from Mr. J. J. JONES, at 121, Pitt-street, Sydney, on or before MONDAY, 10th August.
A. and B. Jones, Architects.

TO BUILDERS.—TENDERS are hereby invited for the Erection and Completion of a Cottage Residence at St. George, Middle Harbour. Plans, specifications, &c., may be seen at the office of the undersigned, 121, Pitt-street, Sydney, on or before THURSDAY, 14th August.
REUSS and NOTT, Architects.

TO BUILDERS.—TENDERS are invited for the Erection of 2 Houses at Newtown. Plans, &c., to be seen at the office of the undersigned, 121, Pitt-street, Sydney, on or before THURSDAY, 20th August.
JAMES TENDRICK,
Architect, 121, Pitt-street, Sydney.

TO LICENSED SURVEYORS.—Wanted, TENDERS for Subdividing, &c., about 10 acres, close to the 37th station, Ryde. To be used in not later than Monday, the 10th August. For full particulars, apply to D. Davies and Co., 24, Pitt-street.

TENDERS are invited for the Excavation, Masonry, and Drainage of three shops, Ocean-street, Woolloomooloo, &c., at the office of JAMES H. HANNAH, Architect, No. 36, Hunter-street.

TENDERS for Painting eight houses, Mary-street, Edinburgh, &c., at the office of JAMES H. HANNAH, Architect, No. 36, Hunter-street.

W. J. YATES.

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TENDERS wanted for Brickwork of large job, labour only; scaffolding found.
Apply at 22, Castlereagh-street, Redfern, to J. GILES and SOY.

TENDER wanted, for Laying about 50 square Flooring.
Apply to LE RUYAR and O'HARE, Builders, Adderley-street, Sydney.

TENDERS wanted for Brick-Paving Street; labour only; job, corner Sussex and Goulburn streets.
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TENDERS for Plastering, labour only.
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TENDERS wanted for Double Work of Foundation; labour only.
Apply to J. GILES and SOY.

TENDERS wanted to Build or Erect, labour only.
Apply to J. GILES and SOY.

TO PAINTERS.—Tenders received until 17th August.

The great military activity of the Red Prince began when in the year 1861 he was entrusted with the Commandership of the Third Brandenburg Army Corps. The Prince was then only 33 years of age, and in the bloom of life in body and mind, full of energy and ambition, and a thorough soldier. He was well versed in all the details of the art of war, and he had a Prussian military faith and shortcomings of the kind which lead to improve the Prussian Army. It was partly owing to his endeavors that the army was then reorganised and that its strength in times of peace was almost doubled. Few principles for drilling, for instruction, and for the use of arms, were so generally adopted by the Prince, who was most anxious to control every part of the service, and who for several years in succession went from garrison to garrison in order to

At the beginning of the Franco-German war Prince Frederick Charles was entrusted with the commandment of six army corps and two cavalry divisions, numbering together about 250,000 men. The Prince was fully aware that in this war the German army had before her a very much harder task than in the wars of 1813 and 1814, and he was fully conscious that the army was most anxious to show that she had learned a good deal from the former campaigns, and had grown a good deal more perfect in many respects. The Prince himself gave instructions to the different branches of arms how they should have to behave in the face of the tactics of the French, and which in the present campaign would be necessary to know and acknowledge and thoughtfulness. Everything was prepared, and the military engine wound up like a clock. The French were beaten at Weissenburg, Spicheren, and Worth, and had to retire to Metz, where Prince Frederick Charles fought the desperate battles of Colombery, Vionville, Mars-la-Tour, Gravelotte, and St. Privat. The German army was victorious, but the French, with the loss of men and material, but the blood of the brave men had not been shed in vain. Bazaine, unable to fall back on Paris, had been enclosed in the fortress of Metz, where towards the end of October he had to surrender, with 120,000 men, to the fled Prince, after he had repeatedly but vainly tried to break through the lines of the German troops, and held out for some time. The laurels were won by Prince Frederick Charles, on whom the grateful king bestowed the dignity of a field-marshal, which up to that time had never belonged to a Prussian prince. However, the work of Prince Frederick Charles did not end with the downfall of Bazaine and capitulation of Metz, for he had to march with his army in store for him and his army. Gambetta had succeeded in forming new corps and bringing new armies to the field, numbering several hundred thousand men. The German troops who blockaded Paris were menaced from the north, south, and west. The French Louis

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MELBOURNE, AUGUST 6.

give anything to be read of the eyeless.

RABBIT-PROOF FENCING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I agree with the greater part of Mr. Kennedy's second article, but I cannot agree with the rest. I have to differ—about the rabbit-proof fencing—it is impossible to deny that there is something in his objections thereto.

However, the extermination of rabbits being of the utmost importance to the colonies untidily, simply, and in the part, let Mr. Kennedy consider that though the fencing may not be absolutely proof, yet it may be made very nearly so by the use of the wire netting. It is the help of an almost perfect fence, keep rabbits in sufficient—in adequate check. How few ships are absolutely proof against rabbits and torpedoes, and how many there are some dynamos and incendiaries, and yet the world progresses; and similarly the world will discontinue the wretches who might sacrifice the usefulness of the colonies. Every one of the *Rural Purgeance* illustrates a gate much used in the States, that can be opened and closed without leaving one's vehicle. Such ought to be entirely adopted in the colonies. It is not possible to see how it would greatly diminish the most serious of Mr. Kennedy's objections.

Let me draw the attention of the various colonies to the fact that the direct line from the Clarence to the head of Spencer's Gulf scarcely exceeds 900 miles. A fence between these two points would yet separate the clean grass of the southern portion of Australia. It is not to be supposed that all the colonies, including even distant Western Australia, would contribute *pro rata* according to the size of the colony, to the cost of such a fence, and the construction of one single line. The main fence should be supplemented at the distance of a few miles by the ordinary fences of the squares, and the squares by the construction of one single line. The main fence should be supplemented at the distance of a few miles by the ordinary fences of the squares, and the squares by the construction of one single line. The main fence should be supplemented at the distance of a few miles by the ordinary fences of the squares, and the squares by the construction of one single line.

It would surely be no great undertaking for four large colonies to combine to erect one grass fence of only 900 miles, and to assist in fortifying 1800 miles, considering how the squatters of New South Wales alone have within the last few years expended more than £1,000,000 on their country, some millions of miles of fencing—fencing (not to be whispered in Gath) made out of twisted wire.

I am, &c.,
L. FANDE DE SALIS.

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From the London papers received by the Potosi

was covered with the same precipitation, the rain falling in a heavy shower. In other respects the operation of bringing up a large number of great ships in so narrow a haven was most satisfactory. The total number of men now on board the ships of the squadron was 7000, and within two or three days this number would be increased to 10,000. An accident occurred on board the Conquest, one of the ships in, Bantley Bay. She had received a supply of coal the previous day, and went to sea in the evening to perform the duty of a light guard. Shortly after midnight, while on the ground, about 6 o'clock, an explosion occurred in one of the coal-bunkers which caused a good deal of consternation among the crew, and the ship was obliged to return to port. A few of the stokers were slightly injured. In the first twenty-four hours of the cruise of the Excursionist, and as it is to be continued for some time, the Sydney Spectator has been productive of not unimportant results. It would seem to have been demonstrated that the first-class torpedo boats, in praise of which so much has been said, are not the cause of very much to be feared. We left Portlaid at about ten o'clock on Tuesday morning. Even at o'clock on Wednesday, three out of four of the boats were under way, and it was not till this in this spite of the fact that we experienced only the most and most favorable weather. Fortunately, however, the accidents were of a trifling nature, and the boats were quickly repaired, and it was not

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

—During the debate on sisterhoods at the late Church General Synod, the President corrected a statement made by me or by some of the members of the London Missionary Society, to the effect that while none of the medical staff resigned, some of the sisters did. Allow me to state that at Guy's Hospital, the resignation of the medical staff was the consequence of the suspension of the nursing sisters in consequence of their refusal to accept of the new constitution on the part of the sisters; and that for a time this old institution, valuable not only to the city of London, but as a centre of instruction for the nursing profession, was in a state of anarchy. I am sure that the same thing would have happened under a cloud; and we may infer if such a case can happen there similar ones may do so here. It is not the duty of the medical staff to resign on account of a particular denomination, but more or less the whole of the staff, no matter what our theological views may be. If, however, the medical staff were to resign, the nursing staff would be left, and a few of the nursing staff would be left, and the Synod Infirmary would be some disorganised or mis-understandings with the lady superior and the medical staff; it becomes us all, therefore, to watch very carefully for such a case. I am, Sir, yours faithfully,

August 4, 1891. ROBERT THOMPSON.

THESE THOMAS SAUNDERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

YR.—Some months ago, as I was about leaving Sydney for time, I read an announcement in the columns of your that the Post Office carvings were to be removed, along with a cutting from the Sydney Herald, in which was contained by my first inspection of those terrible caricatures, I had the news with no small degree of satisfaction. I imagine, then, on my return the other-day, and those said caricatures still intact. The shearer exhibited his novel mode of carving, the spectral man (himself) mounted on the back of the machine, and, in the meanwhile, the intellect expander still and indolently at me, and the whole company wended more segue and barbastric than ever. How much longer are we to be afflicted with these things? I realize that the Government look to part with these things of
Yours, &c., PHILLIPS.

Mr. Buchanan, N.M., disposed of the business at the Trial Police Court on Saturday. Several persons were fined for drunkenness and other minor offences. *Harry* (44), described as a cooper, was fined 40s. for a fault one month's imprisonment, for having behaved indecently with a female in Toledo, Ohio. *Harold Waters* was fined 25s. for not doing three months' imprisonment, for using a gun to hit a judge in New South Wales. She also was fined for having been drunk and disorderly. *And Nelson* (50), charged with having the *Nichols* lawful use of a gun, was sent to gaol for three months with labour. Some cases of an important character were dealt until Monday.

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May, August 10.—Mr. Maehab to be heard on the writ of
arrest. Herbert Perkins, adjourned motion for release.

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Don't DIE IN THE HOUSE.—"Rough on Rats" clears out rats,
beetles, roaches, bed bugs, flies, ants, insects, moles, jack-
als, gophers.—[ADVT.]

Save your nerve and brain waste, nothing equals Hop Nerve
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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL

THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD, MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 1885.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL

One thing is certain, the plague cannot be trifled with; and there should be no delay in trying to abolish it. To get rid of it we must, it is evident, adhere to the method of making experiments. We cannot afford to spend large sums of money on theories, however plausible, that have never been subjected to satisfactory tests. Let cats and iguanas be put amongst the rabbits, and the effect be

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Our cable messages this morning contain several items of interest. According to the French press, an alliance, offensive and defensive, has been entered into between Great Britain and China against Russia. The advantages of such an alliance were discussed recently by the English papers; and in the letter of our St. Petersburg correspondent, published last Wednesday, it is remarked, *opposed* to the vulnerability of the Russian possessions in the Pacific, that "it is not unattainably supposed now that England has done her best to bring affairs between France and China to a satisfactory termination in the view of a future alliance with the Celestial Empire against Russia." The cholera, which has been so destructive in Spain and France, has now spread to England, a death from that disease having occurred at Bristol. At present no other case has been reported. A scandal in high life has been made public in London. Mr.

We regret to record the death during the past week of one of the earliest and most respected members of the staff of the *Sydney Morning Herald*, Mr. Samuel Bailor Dowsett, who was also widely known and highly esteemed by a large number of persons outside the office. Mr. Dowsett first became connected with this paper as far back as 1833 or 1834, when it was named the *Sydney Herald*. He came to Sydney from Tasmania, in which colony his father, we understand, was proprietor of a

The business dealt with at the Central Police Court on Saturday was not of an important character. Two benches were occupied by Mr. Buchanan, S.M. A number of persons were fined for drunkenness and other minor offences, and several important cases were remanded until to-day.

The Rev. A. B. Camm preached yesterday his final sermon at a Sydney congregation prior to his leaving for England by the Messageries Maritimes Company steamship Oceanian to-morrow. Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Camm will have an opportunity of accompanying them to the Heads in a private steamer from this Circular Quay.

The City Coroner on Saturday commenced an inquest concerning the death of John Hogan, aged 40, who had died under rather peculiar circumstances in a fit of rage, at the Calcutta-terminus, Botany-road, last Thursday. After preliminary evidence had been taken the inquest was adjourned until this morning.

It has been reported to the Water Police that a seaman, named Charles Wright, has been charged with

PRIZE ESSAY.

Some time ago we announced, that the late Hon. John Fraser, M.L.C., had bequeathed the sum of £200 to found an annual prize of £100 for an essay in defence of the Christian faith. This essay will be open to all residents in the five Australian colonies and Tasmania, and to all natives of the same resident abroad. The subject for the first competition, in June, 1886, will be "Agnosticism considered from a moral and spiritual point of view." The judges named in Mr. Fraser's will are the Professor of Classics in the Sydney University, the Principal of St. Andrew's College, and the Minister of the Palmer-street Presbyterian Church. The present Professor of Classics, however, finding himself unable to accept the position, the trustees then decided to ask the Most Rev. Dr. Barry, Primate of Australia, to act as co-judge with the other judges. This Dr. Barry has kindly consented to do. We hope that several valuable essays may be the result, and that one of these will

The Mayor entertained the representatives of the Trades Associations at his quarterly luncheon on Saturday. Among the guests was Mr. Thomas Mayne of Sydney.

Proceedings are being taken to test the legality of a sentence passed on the Queensland mistreatment of Justice Higginbotham has granted an order that the Attorney-General shall forward the proceedings of a court-martial and the sentence to the Supreme Court so that the application to quash may be made and that he was not satisfied from the evidence.

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